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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: K. TORII et al.
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND ITS FABRICATION METHOD
Group: 2811
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 16, 2001


Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated December 11, 2000, applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-20), directed to a semiconductor device, without traverse.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (520.37546X00), and please credit any excess fees to said deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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